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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/525,885

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For: POLYNUCLEOTIDE COMPOSITIONS  
ENCODING S-ADENOSYL-L-  
METHIONINE:PHOSPHOETHANOLAMINE  
N-METHYLTRANSFERASE AND  
METHODS FOR MODULATING LIPID  
BIOSYNTHESIS IN PLANTS

Group Art Unit: 1638

Examiner: Elizabeth F. McElwain

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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 30, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2004, for which the three-month date for response was April 30, 2004. A request for a three month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This three month extension will bring the due date to July 30, 2004, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4300.012700.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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37 C.F.R 1.8

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